

ABSTRACT

-- Computer-related methods, apparatus, and/or articles of manufacture to permit/facilitate the creation, marketing, and/or distribution of options to purchase tickets to a particular future event, particularly an elimination format competition, when the chosen competitor's qualification for such a game is currently uncertain, but where the uncertainty will be resolved prior to the commencement of the particular future event. --

In the Claims

Amend claims 9-10 and 29-32 as follows:

9. **(Amended):** A computer-based method, as defined in claim 1, wherein storing [includes] further includes storing information related to vesting of a particular attendance right option.

10. **(Amended):** A computer-based method, as defined in claim 9, wherein vesting information includes an identification of a particular team or competitor who must qualify for [the] a particular event.

29. **(Amended):** A computer-based method, as defined in claim 28, wherein the step of receiving a command comprises receiving a command to purchase the option to purchase a particular attendance right at a previously-displayed offer price.

30. **(Amended):** A computer-based method, as defined in claim 28, wherein the step of receiving a command comprises receiving a command to place a specified bid on the option to purchase a particular attendance right.